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His Majesty Tuanku Al-Haj Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah



Seri Paduka Baginda Yang Di-Pertuan Agong XIV Almu'tasimu Billahi Muhibuddin Tuanku Alhaj Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah Ibni Almarhum Sultan Badlishah was born on 28 November 1927 at Istana Anak Bukit (Anak Bukit Palace), Alor Star, Kedah. He started his schooling at the Alor Merah Malay Primary School and Titi Gajah Malay School before furthering his education at Sultan Abdul Hamid College (SAHC). He then studied in Social Studies and Public Administration at Wadham College, Oxford University, in 1952 for two and a half years.

On 6 August 1949, he was proclaimed the Raja Muda (Crown Prince) of Kedah. Upon his return to Kedah in 1955, Tuanku Abdul Halim served the state government as a Cadet Officer at the Kota Setar District Officer. He later served the State Treasury in 1957.

Tuanku Abdul Halim married to the late Her Royal Highness Tuanku Sultanah Bahiyah (died on August 26, 2003) in March 1956 at Istana Sri Menanti, Negeri Sembilan Darul Khusus. They were blessed with three princesses, Her Highness Tunku Soraya, Her Highness Tunku Sarina (deceased) and Her Highness Tunku Puteri Intan Safinaz.

Tuanku Abdul Halim ascended the Kedah throne in 1958 upon the demise of his father, His Royal Highness Sultan Badlishah.

Tuanku Abdul Halim was officially installed as the 28th Sultan of Kedah on July 15, 1958. He was conferred as the fifth Ruler of Malaysia, Seri Paduka Baginda Yang DiPertuan Agong between 1970 and 1975. On September 21, 1970, Tuanku Abdul Halim and the late Tuanku Sultanah Bahiyah were officially proclaimed the Yang DiPertuan Agong (King) and Raja Permaisuri Agong (Queen) respectively.

He married Che Puan Hajjah Haminah Binti Haji Hamidun in 1975, who was proclaimed the Sultanah of Kedah and given the title of Her Royal Highness Tuanku Sultanah upon the death of the King's first wife.

Tuanku Abdul Halim was officially conferred as Chancellor of Universiti Utara Malaysia on April 7, 1994 and continues in that capacity. His Royal Highness is also the Royal Patron of many associations and non-governmental organization in Kedah.